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Dear. Mr. Jørgen Nielsen,

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We extend to you our warmest greetings from Seoul, Korea.

I appreciate your nation and the committee for playing a pivotal role by continually supporting human rights. In the era of globalization, peace, security and prosperity are the main topics of the world. At the same time, human rights is another important topic that the world is paying attention to and concerns. In particular, human rights in North Korea is one of the major topics discussed in many parts of the world for the severe violation of human rights. As you may know, the United Nations made a historic decision by passing a resolution demanding that North Korea respect all human rights and to allow humanitarian organizations to continue their work in North Korea. Also, the US House of Representatives unanimously passed the North Korean human rights bill in 2004. Therefore, I would like to present to you a personal opportunity where your nation could play a vital role in this issue.

Since its inception in 2003, the International Parliamentarians' Coalition for North Korean Refugees' Human Rights (IPCNKR) has actively defended the human rights of North Korean refugees and sought peace and stability in Northeast Asia. Its purpose is to protect the human rights of North Korean refugees, to realize the ideals of the Universal Declaration on Human Rights, and to contribute to world peace through international dialogue and cooperation. IPCNKR will make significant inroads in world peace through the participation of national parliamentarians from all over the world.

In April 2003, IPCNKR hosted thirty-five parliamentarians from five nations participated in its first General Meeting in Korea, and in August 2005, it hosted forty-five parliamentarians from four nations in its second General Meeting. Currently, IPCNKR includes eighty four national parliamentarians from twenty states over the world. This year, IPCNKR will hold the third General Meeting in Mongolia in June. We expect to see more IPCNKR members on the board for the third General Meeting.

I humbly ask that you please inform the Members of your nation's Parliament of IPCNKR. Joining IPCNKR is simple. All that is needed is to simply state the intention to join on the response form (attached). A member of parliament could either e-mail ipcnkr@assembly.go.kr or fax + 82-2- 788-3724 the form to our office.

If Members of Parliament or you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my professional assistant Ms. Ji Eun Kim. Our office can be reached at + 82-2- 788-2017. If you would like to contact via e-mail, the address is jieunjanekim@hotmail.com.

We respectfully ask that MPs promptly reply to the Hon Woo-Yea Hwang's invitation to join IPCNKR. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely yours,

Hwang, Woo Yea, LLD.

Member of the National Assembly of the Republic of Korea
Standing Cochairman
International Parliamentarians' Coalition for North Korean Refugees and Human Rights

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